



IN DUNN'S ASSEMBLY ROOM.
MONDAY Evening, July 4th, at seven o'clock, will be
FOURTH PUBLIC READING & RECITING
OF
SELECT PIECES OF ENGLISH,
BY
MR. SCOTT.

This is the last, save one, of Mr Scott's Public Readings in Edinburgh this Summer.

Particulars will be mentioned in a future advertisement.

IRONMONGERY, HARDWARE, &c.

JOHN MUIR, late Partner in the House of Messrs. CAR-
GILL and MILLAR, begs leave to inform his Friends and the
Public, that he has just now opened shop, at the *Gilded Padlock*, directly
opposite the Cross, north side of the street, Edinburgh, where he has laid
in a complete assortment of Ironmongery, Cutlery and Hardware Goods,
which he will sell on the most moderate terms, viz.

All sorts of brass and iron locks, hinges, and bolts; nails, sprigs, and
screw nails; great variety of brass mounting for drawers, desks, &c. all
kinds of wrights tools, complete chests of ditto for gentlemen, &c. table,
and tea knives, pocket and pen ditto, scissars, razors, lancets, &c. &c.;
variety of japanned tea trays, servers, bread baskets, and toast
trays; japanned, plated, and pinchbeck knee and shoe buckles; super-
fine double and single Battle GUNPOWDER, patent Scots and English
shot, gun flints, agate ditto, with the greatest variety of powder flasks,
shot bags, hawking bags, turn-screws, and every other implement in the
shooting way—With variety of other articles.

ALSO SELLS,

Fine Green and Black TEAS, Coffee, plain and crown Chocolate,
Spanish Licorice, and very fine Mecklenburgh and other Blues.

††† The strictest attention paid to orders from the country.
N. B. J. Muir is nephew to Mr James Cargill (now retired from busi-
ness); and as he has been in the hardware line for upwards of twelve years,
he flatters himself he has acquired such a knowledge of that business as will
enable him always to keep such an assortment as will well deserve the at-
tention of the public.

Present retail Prices of TEAS and SPIRITS, &c.
At JOHN STURROCK'S Warehouse, head of
CANONGATE.

Per lib.	Per gal.
FINEST Hyson Green	Best Double Rum L. 0 8 0
Tea - L. 0 8 0	Single ditto - 0 6 0
Good ditto - 0 7 0	Best French Brandy - 0 10 0
Middling ditto - 0 6 0	Good ditto - 0 8 0
Single ditto - 0 4 0	Single ditto - 0 6 0
Finest Southerg - 0 6 0	Best Dutch Gin - 0 6 0
Ditto Congo - 0 6 0	Common ditto - 0 5 0
Good ditto - 0 5 0	Rum Shrub - 0 8 0
Ordinary ditto - 0 4 0	Cherry Brandy - 0 8 0
Good Bohea - 0 2 0	Proof Whisky - 0 3 0
Ordinary ditto - 0 1 8	

Port, Sherry, and Lisbon Wines, at 1 s. 8 d. per bottle.
Those who take whole chests of Tea (in the original package) will be allow-
ed a considerable discount; and whole lots permitted from the East-
India Company's Warehouses, London, on the same terms with any
wholesale Tea Dealer there; or in any other part of Great Britain.
Excellent Cyder and Perry of last years vintage, in bottles, at 2 s. per
gallon, or 6 d. per bottle.

THE WHOLE COAL in the lands of King's Muir, and grounds ad-
jacent, lying within the conflagration of Crail, and sheriffdom of
Fife, for such number of years as can be agreed on, not exceeding twenty-
seven, and may be entered to immediately.

For particulars, apply to Mr John Hannay at King's Muir, Mr
George Robb writer in Anstruther, or Andrew Pitcairn writer in Edin-
burgh.

A FURNISHED HOUSE in Selkirkshire to LET.

THE HOUSE of GALASHIELLS, consisting of dining-room, draw-
ing-room, nine bed-rooms, with several bed-choffs. The din-
ing-room and drawing-room are each 30 feet in length by 20 feet in
breadth. There are also a kitchen, laundry, cellars, washing-house, brew-
house, complete stables, and coach-house, servants rooms, and every o-
ther convenience.

The House is completely furnished. There is a large garden surround-
ed with fruit walls at a convenient distance from it. It stands most plea-
santly situated upon the river Gala, about thirty miles from Edinburgh,
near the town of Galashiels, where there is an excellent market
country, and is most conveniently situated for hunting, shooting, fish-
ing, and every other country amusement. The House will be let for
more years as can be agreed on. A tenant may have as
much grass ground as he chuses.

For particulars apply to Thomas or Archibald Tods, writers to the
signet, Edinburgh. The gardener will show the premises.

To be SOLD, and entered to immediately,

THAT HOUSE adjacent to the Links of

Leith, belonging to and presently possessed by Mr Farquharson
of Invercauld.

The House consists of a dining-room, drawing-room, and five bed-
chambers, two servants rooms, and a good kitchen, besides other conve-
niences.—In the back court are two pumps of excellent water. There
is also a very good garden, well stocked with fruit trees, inclosed with a
stone and lime wall, lined with brick. The offices consists of a coach-
house, hay-loft, and stables for four horses.

The House is pleasantly situated, commanding an extensive view,
and free air, which cannot be intercepted by any new buildings, on ac-
count of the privilege of the Links. The whole subjects pay no ground
rent or feu-duty.

The progress of writs and title-deeds, which are clear, are to be seen
in the hands of William McDonald, writer to the signet, to whom, or to
the proprietor, any inclination to purchase may apply.

N. B. The premises may be viewed any lawful day, betwixt twelve
and two.



AT LONDON—FOR LEITH,

THE LIVINGSTON,

ALEXANDER GORDON Master,

Lying in Hawley's Wharf, taking in goods for

Leith, Edinburgh, and all places adjacent, and

will sail 29th current.

N. B. Good accommodation for passengers.

The Master to be spoke with at the New-Eng-
land Coffeehouse, Threadneedle Street, by the

Royal Exchange, at 'Change hours; morning and evening on board the

ship.

For OPORTO, and to return to LEITH,

THE MAGDALENA,

Captain EDWARD ROBERTSON,

A constant trader, will sail beginning of July.

For freight or passage, apply to Gavin Kempf,

Leith, or to Captain Robertson on board; and

it is entreated, that those merchants who are

pleased to order their Wines by this vessel, will

be so obliging as to send duplicates of their let-
ters by her.



NEW STATIONARY SHOP.

JOHN FOWLER begs leave to acquaint the Public and his Friends, That
he has opened shop opposite the Head of Blackfriars Wynd, where
they may be supplied with the best English Writing Papers—Thick and
Thin Lined Post for Ladies—Message Cards, ornamented and plain—
Dutch and English Quills—Ladies and Gentlemen's Pocket-books, &c.
and every other article in the STATIONARY BRANCH, on the most reason-
able Terms.—Commissions punctually attended to.

JUDICIAL SALE OF

LANDS AND SUPERIORITIES

In the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright.

To be SOLD with the Parliament or New Session House of Edin-
burgh, upon Wednesday the 29th of June, betwixt the hours
of four and five in the afternoon.

THE LANDS AND SUPERIORITIES after mentioned, which
belonged to John Coltart of Arreem, being all parts of the barony of
Kirkpatrick-Dubhann.

LOT I. The Lands of Nether Knockwallach, Upper and Nether Cal-
fad, and Mill of Lochpatrick.

The proven free rent is L. 107 18 7 6-12ths

And the proven value thereof, at 23 years purchase,
being held of the Crown, is L. 2481 8 4 6-12ths

These lands give a qualification in the county upon the old extent.

LOT II. The Superiority of the lands of Auchinay, Boghall, Moss-
side, Kirkmeadow, Barmohat, Minnidow, Culhangan, and Knock-
walloch.

The yearly feu-duties payable from these lands is L. 2 3 3

And the proven value thereof is L. 114 0 0

LOT III. The Superiority of the lands of Neilson's Kirkland, Turner's
Kirkland, Upper Marcartney, and teinds thereof, Bardarroch, Corrie, Bar-
bain, Over Barr, Nether Barr, Holchouffe, and Sarehill.

The yearly feu and teind duties payable therefrom is L. 1 15 5 11-12ths

And the proven value thereof is L. 259 0 0

LOT IV. The Superiority of the Lands of Kirllebride, Arreem
Upper and Nether Drumhomprie, Tarbreach, and Garmartine.

The yearly feu-duties payable
therefrom is L. 1 6 8 11-12ths.

And the proven value thereof is L. 229 0 0

These three last Lots afford each a qualification in the county upon the
valued rent; but the purchasers must satisfy themselves as to that, and
likewise as to the qualification on the old extent of Lot I.

LOT V. The Superiority of the Lands of Nether Marcartney, and
teinds thereof.—The yearly feu and teind duty payable therefrom is
L. 1 4 9 4-12ths.

And the proven value thereof is L. 68 0 0

The Lands of Nether Marcartney are valued at 134 l. Scots.

LOT VI. The House and office in Dumfries, possessed by the said John
Coltart, or his substitutes.

The proven rent whereof is L. 12 10 0

And the proven value, being held feu of the town of
Dumfries, at ten years purchase, is L. 125 0 0

The titles, and articles of roup may be seen at the office of Mr Kirk-
patrick, depute-clerk of session; and further information will be got by
applying to John Thomson writer in Kirkcudbright, factor upon the
subjects

JUDICIAL SALE.

To be SOLD with the Parliament or New Session House of Edin-
burgh, upon Wednesday the 29th of June, betwixt the hours
of four and five in the afternoon, under the authority of the Court of
Session.

The Lands and Estate of STOCKBRIGGS,

lying in the parish of Lefmahago, and shire of Lanark. This estate
holds of the family of Hamilton, and consists of the following lands:

I. The Lands of OVER and NETHER STOCKBRIGGS, the free
rent whereof is proved to be, L. 57 2 4 8-12ths

And the proprietor has right to the teinds of
these lands.

II. The Lands of YONDERTON, HOLM-
HEAD, COITSTONES, and WHITESIDEHILL,
and pertinents thereof, the free rent whereof is
proved to be, L. 42 10 2 10-12ths

But as there is no right
to the teinds of this parcel,
a fifth part of the rent is set
off on that account, being, 8 10 0 6-12ths

L. 34 0 2 4-12ths

Deduct 16 s. 4 d. 6-12ths

33 19 0

L. 91 1 4 8-12ths

And the value thereof is proved to be 24 years
purchase, or, L. 2185 13 4

The rent of the greatest part of these lands has not been raised for
many years, so that a very considerable rise of rent may be depended on.

Also, TWO HERITABLE DEBTS over the lands of Nether Cum-
mer, lying in the said parish of Lefmahago, and shire of Lanark, which
are constituted by two heritable bonds, granted by the deceased Edward
Maxwell of Strathguthrie, to the late James Whyte of Stockbriggs, the one
dated the 7th of February 1753, and the other dated the 9th of August
1754, with infestments following on the bonds.

The principal sums of both debts extend to L. 590 0 0

And the interest due thereon, after deducting partial
payments, amounts, at Candlemas 1785, to 437 12 5

L. 1027 12 5

At which sum the debts will be exposed to sale.

The lands will be let in feu, and the articles of roup, and rental of the lands, may be
seen in the office of George Kirkpatrick depute clerk of session, and fur-
ther information may be got by applying to James Walker writer to the
signet, or to John Inglis merchant in Douglas, the factor on the estate.

To be SOLD and entered to immediately,

THE Lands of PARKHEAD and BROWN-

HILL, with the House, Gardens, and Orchards of Parkhead,
lying in the parish of Bothwell, and shire of Lanark. These lands lie
upon both sides of the turnpike road from Hamilton by Bothwell Bridge,
and which joins the great road from Edinburgh to Glasgow at Bellziehill
Meeting-house. Part of the grounds lie along the said great road, and
are within eight miles of Glasgow, and three of Hamilton. The whole
are situated in a populous part of the country, where manufactures may
be carried on to great advantage.

The lands contain 150 Scots acres, and are divided into proper inclo-
sured, and all the fences are in complete repair. There is a good deal
of planting on the grounds, and the trees and hedges are all in a thriv-
ing condition. There is a modern mansion house on the grounds, con-
sisting of nine fire rooms, with kitchen, garrets, and many other conve-
niences, besides good stables, and other necessary office-houses. The
lands are held of the families of Hamilton and Douglas, for payment of
small feu-duties, and the free rent of the whole, reckoning 25 l. for the
house, gardens, and orchards, is about 190 l. sterling. If agreeable to
the purchaser, the greatest part of the price will be allowed to remain in
his hands, on giving proper security.

The writings, rental, and plan of the grounds, will be seen in the
hands of James Walker writer to the signet, who has power to conclude a
bargain; and to whom, or to John Boyes jun. writer in Hamilton, any
person wanting information may apply. William Eglington at Parkhead,
will show the house and grounds.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse,
Edinburgh, on Wednesday the third day of August next, at five o'clock
afternoon.

THE Lands and Estate of ELLIESTOUN,

lying in the parish of Lefmahago, and sheriffdom of Roxburgh.

The Estate is situated in a dry sporting country, on the south side of
the Tweed, thirty-nine miles distant from Edinburgh, by a good turnpike
road, and in the vicinity of Jedburgh, Kelso, Melrose, and Selkirk, all
good market-towns. It consists of about twelve hundred acres all arable,
completely inclosed, and divided by thriving hedges from fifteen to twenty-
five years old, extensive plantations of all kinds of trees of the same
age, which communicate with each other, and afford sheltered walks of
several miles in length. The mansion-house and offices are in good re-
pair, and fit for the immediate reception of a genteel family; are situated
in a lawn of about twenty acres, well laid down; a kitchen-garden and
shrubbery at a convenient distance; several pieces of water, stocked with
carp, trout, and perch. They are kept constantly full by a number of
streams, which at the same time water the fields. The soil is good, and
produces all manner of grain; in the lawn are a considerable number of
old trees. The estate affords three freehold qualifications in the shire of
Roxburgh.—For particulars apply to George Martin, or Thomas Smith,
writers, Argyle-square, Edinburgh.

The upset price will be thirteen thousand pounds sterling.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

SALE OF LANDS IN PERTSHIRE.

To be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffee-
house, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 27th day of July 1785, be-
tween the hours of five and six afternoon.

The LANDS and ESTATE of INNERNETHY, comprehending the
lands of Ear Mains of Innerneithy, the lands of Balgonie, Provost Mains,
and Cordon, with the teinds thereof, and salmon-fishings in the water of
Earn belonging thereto, lying in the parish of Abernethy and county of
Perth.

These Lands consist of 410 Scots acres of rich carle ground, and 98
acres of hill, making in whole 508 acres. There are about 26 acres of
the hill arable, 52 excellent pasture, and 20 acres thereof planted, and in a
very thriving condition. The lands of Balgonie are all inclosed with
ditch and hedge, and there is a good deal of planting on the other parts
of the estate. It is delightfully situated on the banks of the Earn, near
the conflux of the Earn and Tay, within five miles of Perth, five of Falk-
land, two of Newburgh, and eight of Cupar in Fife; and from the man-
sion-house, which is large and commodious, there is a beautiful prospect of
the above two rivers, and of a good part of the Carle of Gowrie. The
place, from its natural situation, and known fertility of soil, is capable of
the highest improvement, and, at a small expense, might be rendered one
of the pleasantest retreats in the country.

The lands hold feu of the family of Douglas, for payment of 1 l. 7 s.
10 d. 2-12ths sterling yearly of feu-duty; and their present free rent,
reckoning the victual at a moderate conversion, is 330 l. 13 s. 4 d. 1-12th
sterling; but, at the expiration of some of the current leases, of which
there are now but a few years to run, a very great rise of rent may be
depended on.

If the whole lands are not sold together, they will be exposed sepa-
rately in the following Lots, viz.

LOT I. The Lands of INNERNETHY, comprehending the lands of
Mains, with the teinds thereof, and salmon-fishings in the water of
Earn belonging thereto, lying in the parish of Abernethy and county of
Perth.

The yearly rent of these lands is L. 168 0 5 9-12ths

LOT II. The Lands of BALGONIE, compre-
hending the Lands of BALNACRUICH, FID-
LERLAND, and others, whereof the present rent,
including 9 s. 11 d. 6-12ths of feu-duty, payable by
the Associate Congregation in Abernethy, is 117 16 2 6-12ths

N. B. For the last seven years of the tack, the
tenant of Balgonie is bound to pay 15 l. yearly of
additional money rent.

LOT III. The Lands of PROVOST-MAINS,
the present rent whereof, including a small feu-du-
ty of 2 s. 5 d. 8-12ths, is 55 0 3

Total gross rent, L. 333 16 11 3-12ths

Deduct feu-duty and other public burdens, pay-
able out of the above lands, to be proportioned up-
on the several lots, amounting to 3 13 7 2-12ths

Remains of free rent, as above, L. 330 3 4 1-12th

Andrew Melvill tenant in Provostmains will please apply to David
Freer writer, at Mr Alexander Duncan's clerk to the signet, who has
power to conclude a private bargain between and the day of roup, and in
whose hands may be seen the articles of roup, and progress of writs, toge-
ther with a rental and plan of the lands.

N. B. If the purchaser chuses, a considerable part of the price will
be allowed to remain in his hands, on giving proper security.

Sale of Lands in the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright.

To be SOLD by auction, within John's Coffeehouse in Edinburgh,
on Wednesday the 6th day of July next, between the hours of
five and six afternoon.

The following PARTS of the Lands and Estate belonging to Mr
Thomson of Ingleston, in the following Lots, viz.

LOT I. The four-merk lands of MICKLEGLEEN and GLENEND,
and the three merk land of LITTLEGLEEN, all lying in the parish of
Kirkmabreck. The free yearly rent of these lands, after deducting
public burdens, is 152 l. 6 s. 4 d. but it is well known in the country,
that they will admit of a very considerable rise.

There is a good house of four rooms on a floor, with garden and of-
fice-houses, on these lands.

The lands of Littlegleen alone will entitle the purchaser to a freehold
qualification in the stewartry, in consequence of an old retour, and
the lands of Micklegleen stand rated in the valuation books at 165 l.

The upset price of this lot will be 3800 l. sterling.

LOT II. The twelve-merk land of old extent of BORNES, lying
within the parishes of Kirkanders and Bogue.

These lands have been set at the yearly rent of 120 l. upon a long
lease, which expires at Whitsunday next.

There has been offered, by a substantial tenant, 150 l. upon a lease
for nineteen years, over and above payment of the minister's stipend,
school-salary, land tax, and all other public burdens whatever.

The teinds, which are bishop's teinds, are valued by an old decret of
valuation, and almost exhausted by the minister's stipend.

This farm is reckoned one of the best in the stewartry of Kirkcu-
dright, both in soil and situation. The upset price of it will be only
3300 l.

These lands afford a freehold qualification in the stewartry of Kirk-
cudbright.

LOT III. The eight merk lands of WHITESIDE and CALLSIDE,
with the teinds thereof, lying in the parish of Anworth.

The present rent of these lands is 101 l. sterling, and the tenants
pay the whole public burdens. They are held blench of the Crown,
and are rated in the valuation books at 150 l.

This lot will be set up at 2000 l. sterling, being only twenty years
purchase of the present rent.

LOT IV. The Lands of FALRAE, lying in the parish of Kirkma-
breck; the present free rent whereof is 24 l. sterling, and they are re-
toured to a merk land of old extent, and will be exposed at 520 l.

Mr Adam Thomson, factor upon the estate, will show the lands.

For further particulars, persons desiring to purchase may apply to
Francis and John Anderson, writers to the signet; and Mr David Rus-
sell, accountant in Edinburgh, has powers to conclude a private bargain.



From the LONDON GAZETTE, June 18.
St. James's, June 15.

THIS day, Count Woronzow, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the Empress of Russia, had his first private audience of his Majesty to deliver his credentials.

To which he was introduced by the Marquis of Carmarthen, his Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and conducted by Stephen Cottrell, Esq; Assistant Master of the Ceremonies.

War-Office, June 14.

11th Regiment of dragoons, Henry Shelley, Gent. is appointed to be Cornet, vice Richard Barry.

14th Regiment of foot, Captain Thomas Fraser, from the 78th regiment, to be Captain-Lieutenant, vice Hugh Campbell.

27th Regiment of foot, Captain George Gillman to be Major, vice William Cotton.

30th Regiment of foot, Walter Barry, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Wilfred Wilkinson.

31st Regiment of foot, Daniel Grose, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Henry Dawson.

64th Regiment of foot, Ensign Christopher Brandon Ludlow, from the 98th regiment, to be Ensign, vice George Britt.

65th Regiment of foot, Captain Alexander Malcolm, from half-pay in the 97th regiment, to be Captain of a company, vice Charles Crauf.

78th Regiment of foot, Captain-Lieutenant Hugh Campbell, from the 14th regiment of foot, to be Captain of a company, vice Thomas Fraser.

100th Regiment of foot, Lieutenant James Clark Satterthwaite, from half-pay in the late 86th regiment, to be Lieutenant, vice William Hles.

102d Regiment of foot, Lieutenant George Ramfden, from the 2d troop of horse-grenadier guards, to be Captain of a company, vice William Webb.

Lieutenant Sir Edmund Thomas, Bart. from half-pay in the 96th regiment, to be Lieutenant in Captain Watt's independent company of invalids at Jersey, vice William Brodie.

Lieutenant Walter Nugent, of the invalids, to be Fort Major and Adjutant to the garrison of Jersey, vice William Brodie.

Sergeant Bernard, Esquire, to be Deputy Commissary of Musters, vice Thomas Bernard.

Commissions signed by his Majesty for the Army in Ireland, all dated May 14, 1785.

8th Regiment of dragoons, Mr Thomas Bunbury to be Cornet, vice John Kerr, by purchase.

4th Foot, Lieutenant William Montgomery, from the half-pay of the 103d foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Henry St Lawrence, who exchanges.

16th Foot, Eldest Ensign William M'Leath to be Lieutenant, vice Evan M'Pherson, who retires. Mr James Paisley to be Ensign, vice M'Leath.

21st Foot, Lieutenant Paul Sandby, from the half-pay of the late 97th foot on the British establishment, to be First Lieutenant, vice Robert Grant, who exchanges.

45th Foot, Mr Stephen Ormby to be Ensign, vice James Engel, by purchase.

61st Foot, Lieutenant James Taylor, from the 45th regiment, to be Captain en Second, vice John Squire deceased.

62d Foot, Adjutant Robert Abraham, from the half-pay of the late 91st foot on the British establishment, to be Adjutant, vice George Marlay, who exchanges.

67th Foot, Surgeon Patrick Dillon, from the half-pay of the late 103th foot, to be Surgeon, vice Edward Duffy, who exchanges.

STAFF.

John Reed, Esq; to be Major of Brigade, vice Charles Vallancey, Esq; deceased.

Intelligence from LLOYD's, June 17.

Left the ship the *Wendover*, on the 10th inst. bound for the 9th Foot.

The *Hilborough* sailed from Bengal with the Barrington.

Calcutta Jan. 30, 1785. The *Neptuno* and the *Sacramento* were sailed for Madras and Lisbon. The *Na. Sa. Monte de Carmo*, —; Maria Primara, —; and *Beleazio*, —, remain at Bengal.

The Three Brothers, Gillis, is lost in the *Leet of Drontheim*.

The *Mary*, Connelly, sailed from Newfoundland to Cadiz the 27th of September last, and has not since been heard of.

Lancaster, 14. Captain Greenwood, of the *Molly*, arrived here the 12th inst., on the 30th ult. spoke the *Mount Pleasant*, Belamy, from Jamaica for London, out 8 weeks, in lat. 45. 30. long. 46. The same day spoke the *George*, Harry, from London to Quebec, out 3 weeks from the land. A vessel is gone into Pile, supposed to be the *Hope*, Barwick, from Antigua.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

FRIDAY, June 17.

COUNSEL were called to the bar, and heard on the 22nd and Company, of Glasgow, respondents; when after hearing counsel fully on both sides, the interlocutors complained of were affirmed, with 100 l. costs. This is the last Scotch appeal to be heard this session.

In a Committee on the Irish resolutions, examined witnesses, and heard counsel on the petition of the Manchester woolen manufacturers; after which Lord Scarfale reported a progress.

A petition from the Merchants, Manufacturers, &c. of Manchester, and parts adjacent, signed by upwards of one hundred and twenty thousand persons; also a petition of the Tanners at Manchester; and also a petition of the Clockmakers at Manchester, were presented, read, and ordered to the Committee on the Irish commercial propositions.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

FRIDAY, June 17.

IN a Committee to consider a petition from the Clerks in the Secretaries of State's Offices, came to the following resolution:—

That 1000 l. be allowed annually to be paid to the Clerks of the Secretaries of State in their respective offices, as a compensation for their advantages for sending and receiving printed votes, proceedings in Parliament, duty on postage, &c. To be reported on Monday.

In a Committee on flasks, &c. that so much of an act made 15th and 16th of his late Majesty, as relates to the landing rum or spirits of the British sugar plantations, before payment of the duties of excise, and the lodging the same in warehouses, at the expense of the importer or proprietor thereof, be further continued with amendments.

That no drawback be allowed upon the exportation of snuff from this kingdom.

That a limited quantity of wheat, flour, bread, biscuit, and meal, be allowed to be exported from the port of Lancaster to the sugar colonies in America. To be reported on Monday.

Passed Inglis's divorce, and the bankrupts bills.

Mr Alcock, from the Excise in Scotland, presented an account of the produce of taxes. Ordered to lie on the table.

PAISLEY TWO PENNY BILL.

Sir Adam Ferguson, after stating some circumstances relative to the Paisley bill, which required alteration, moved, on the report being brought up, that it be recommitted, which after some remarks from Mr Dempster and Mr Hamilton, was agreed to.

AMERICAN LOYALISTS.

Mr Pitt gave notice, that on Monday next he would make a motion relative to the claims of the American loyalists.

TOBACCO.

Mr Pitt not being yet sufficiently prepared on the subject of the motion relative to the regulations he intended to propose on the importation of tobacco, and as it was a matter of much importance, he moved, that the further consideration of it be postponed till Tuesday next.

Mr Sheridan agreed in thinking the subject important, and wished to know whether it was the intention of the Right Honourable Gentleman to put the collection of the revenue arising from tobacco, under the department of the Excise. In that case it might be necessary to have some papers and accounts on the table which were not then before the House.

Mr Pitt said, he could not at present explain the regulations he intended to bring forward.

Mr Sheridan thought it material for the House at least to know as much of the business as he had mentioned, which surely the Right Honourable Gentleman could then inform them of.

Lord Mahon observed, that the Hon. Gentleman who had just far down had put a simple question to his Right Honourable friend, to which he had given him a simple answer, namely, that he would explain the business on Tuesday; this he thought sufficient for the present.

The conversation then ended, and the motion was agreed to. Adjourned.

From the London Papers, June 18.

Hague, June 15. We talk now of peace with more confidence than ever. The Deputies of the Republic are certainly preparing to set out next week for Vienna.

Paris, June 7. The roof of the church of St Saviour, in this city, suddenly fell down last Thursday. There were then in the church only five priests, who had time to creep along a wall, and by that means saved their lives.

The clergy have opened a loan for eighteen millions, at four and a half per cent. which is destined for the free gift.

LONDON.

Yesterday morning, Prince William Henry went in his midshipman's uniform to the Admiralty; the Board being then sitting, he was introduced to them. The Admiralty attendants received his Highness in form. After the usual ceremonies on his receiving his commission as Lieutenant were gone through, he returned to his apartments at St James's, where he dressed himself in his Lieutenant's uniform, and kissed the King's hand on his promotion, being introduced by Lord Howe, Captain Thornborough, late of the *Hebe* frigate, and his successor, Captain Merrick. When the ceremony was over, the Prince was complimented by the Admirals, Captains, &c. present.

Yesterday, General Campbell kissed the King's hand at St James's, on being appointed Governor of Madras.

Yesterday, Lord Derby rose in the House of Lords, and said that he was going to make a motion, in some degree of a personal nature, which he hoped their Lordships would excuse, when they should hear his reasons. He had received a petition from Manchester against the Irish measures, signed by

many persons, and he thought it his duty to present it to the House; and his motive for making such a motion was, that it might remain on their Journals, as a monument of the zeal of the people of Manchester, in opposing the dangerous measure now going to be adopted.

The Lord Chancellor informed the noble Lord, that his motion was useless, inasmuch, without it the numbers of the petitioners would be transmitted to posterity, by the petition remaining on records of the House; and as the noble Lord had made a personal motion, he should therefore address him personally, and request him to withdraw his motion.

Lord Derby accordingly withdrew his motion, but was still obliged to get the assistance of one of the clerks, who, together with his Lordship, with great difficulty brought in the petition, and being unable to lift it on the table, were assisted by the Lords Carnarvon, Gower, &c. &c.

Extract of a letter to Mr Feltor, at Dover, dated Boulogne, June 15, 1785.

"As you will naturally be desirous to know the particulars of the unhappy fate of our two aeronauts, who perished this morning, you may depend on the following, of which I was an eye-witness:—

"At a quarter past seven they ascended, and for the first 20 minutes appeared to take the best possible direction; when, for a few seconds, they appeared stationary; then took a direction to the left, towards Protee; then a contrary direction, and at about three quarters of a mile's height the whole was in flames, from the fire of the Montgolfier, and fell with incredible velocity on Huitmille Warren, where the two unfortunate adventurers were found, instantly on their fall; Pilatre with his thighs both broke, and a violent contusion on his breast; his legs broken, and most of his ribs fractured, but he breathed for some moments, and uttered the exclamation—*O Jesu!* and instantly expired.

"Excuse me: The subject has so affected me that I can say no more. There were faggots and staves all round the gallery, and the fire actually blew about the gallery at the moment of their ascension. The whole scene lasted about fifty minutes."

PRICE OF STOCKS, JUNE 18.

Bank Stock, — 3 per cent. red. 57½.

5 per cent. Stock, shut, 91½ op. India Bonds unpaid, 2 3 4 prem.

4 per cent. Ann. 1777 73½. Navy Bills, 7½ disc.

3 per cent. con. shut, 58½ open.

WIND AT DEAL, JUNE 17. N.W.

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter from London, June 18.

"Notwithstanding the violent opposition raised against the shop-tax, and the utter detestation in which it is held, it is determined upon, that no repeal, or alteration of it whatever, shall take place during the present session of Parliament."

"The Cabinet are said to have been much divided of late, whether the House should have a message, or not, respecting the finances of a certain heir apparent, against which there is said to be a majority of two. In case the present opinion should continue, the matter, it is said, will be brought forward by Opposition."

"Several meetings have lately been held, on the subject of

the Irish propositions, at Buckingham-house; but the Minister's plan of proceeding with them does not yet seem to be exactly understood, with such extraordinary reserve does he conduct himself on the business, even to his most particular friends.

"To the honour of a great personage, he sent early for the First Lord of the Admiralty, on the day Prince William Henry passed his examination at the Admiralty Board, as a Lieutenant of the navy, and strictly enjoined his Lordship, that no partiality whatever might be shown to him on the occasion, but that his promotion should depend wholly on his proving himself qualified for the station.

"A certain great oriental personage, just returned with a fortune of above one million and a half from the East Indies, is said to have brought home with him a diamond of immense value, intended as a present to a certain quarter, where there is interest enough to place him amongst the Peers of Great Britain.

"The appointment of Mr Adams, the American Minister at this Court, is said to be 2500 l. per annum.

"The M—— certainly loses his popularity more and more every day. The meanest student in politics is now convinced, that he is nothing more than an instrument in the hands of Mess. D——s and J——n, to work the purposes of the interior or efficient Cabinet.

"Amongst the various means used to save a certain person, convicted of perjury, from standing in the pillory, it is a fact, that no less a sum than 10,000 l. has been given to the waiting-woman of a certain great Lady, as a present, for so deplorable a thing as that of saving him from suffering so great a disgrace. The money has been certainly lodged for the purpose, but no hopes are entertained notwithstanding, at least from that quarter.

"The rage for Air Balloons has so much subsided of late, as to threaten a total disuse thereof in a little time. The fatal accident, by which two persons were lately killed, by an Air Balloon taking fire, has served very much to damp it. The late disappointment of Mons. Blanchard, and of Mr Lunardi, has also much contributed thereto; and poor Arnold was yesterday evening arrested, and carried into confinement, on account of the *Royal George* Balloon, the ascent of which is extremely doubtful, should it ever be attempted!"

At the Manse of Jura and Collonay, Argyleshire, on the 7th of June 1785, in the felicity of a well-spent life, died Mrs Kerr, from Edinburgh, aged 82 years.

Mrs Brisbane of Balbegno, widow of Dr John Brisbane, died at Loch-head, near Aberdeen, the 20th inst.

Robert Lockhart, Esq; youngest son of the late Lord Covington, died at Bencoolen on the 23d September 1784. It is hoped his relations and friends will accept this notification of his death.

On Monday, died here, Mr Hugh Penman, late jeweler in Edinburgh. His friends and relations will please accept this as a proper notification of his death.

The Endeavour, Boyd, from Leith, arrived in the Thames the 18th current.

This day, came on before the Court of Exchequer, a cause at the instance of the Officers of the Crown, against Mr Robertson, a farmer in the county of Linlithgow, on the construction of the late Horse Act. It came out in evidence, that Mr Robertson rented a farm at 80 l. per annum; that he had twelve horses, none of which were superfluous, but all necessary for labouring the ground, and for all other purposes, to market, and on his other business; but, that he had a predilection to three of them in particular, one of which he generally used. It was contended on the part of Mr Robertson the defendant, that a farmer riding one of his labouring horses, at times, did not subject him to the tax, because, though he kept and used such horse, yet he did not keep him for the purpose of riding. On the part of the Crown, the plaintiff, it was insisted, that as the defendant rode one of three horses, not only to market, but on every other piece of business, even to a lime quarry, which was likewise rented by him, and only about two miles distance from his own house, he certainly fell within the meaning of the act, and should have taken out a license for one saddle-horse at least, which was all that was contended for in the present instance. The evidence was summed up, on the part of the defendant, by Mr Alexander Wright, and for the plaintiff by the Lord Advocate. The Lord Chief Baron then delivered his charge to the Jury, in which he told them, that though, in this particular instance, he was inclined to be of opinion, that the defendant should have taken out a license for one horse, yet he thought it but candid in him to inform them, that he had consulted with his brethren upon a subject which seemed to involve no small difficulty in it; and that the two on his right hand agreed with him in sentiments, while the two on his left were equally clear in a different opinion. His Lordship, therefore, said, that he should be nowise surprised if the Jury entertained difficulties likewise. The Jury then retired, and after being out some considerable time, returned, when their foreman declared, that they found, by a majority of voices, for the plaintiff. He was, however, informed, that such a verdict could not be received; but that their verdict, whatever it was, must be unanimous. At the same time they were told, that if they were at a loss concerning the construction of the act of Parliament, they might return a special verdict, finding such and such facts proven, and then it would remain with the Court to apply the law. The Jury again retired, and having staid so long out as to induce the Court to believe that they were at a loss how to frame a special verdict, one was wrote out for them, at the sight of the counsel for both parties, and sent with a mace for their adoption, in case they should be inclined to return a special verdict. The mace soon after returned, and informed the Court, that he had made offer of the paper to the Jury, but that they would not look at it. They then came in themselves to Court, and declared they unanimously found for the plaintiff.

The decision of this cause is by no means of such general importance as may at first sight be imagined. It does not determine, that farmers must take out licenses for saddle-horses, because they may occasionally ride their horses. On the contrary, from what fell from the Judges, in the course of the trial, it is pretty evident, that if Mr Robertson had not been in the practice of riding so frequently to the lime-quarry, and elsewhere, the Court would have been of opinion that he was not obliged to take out a license, and consequently no other farmer in similar circumstances.

Sunday forenoon, a fire broke out in Luxemburg's Close, Aberdeen, which, by the timely application of the fire-engines, was got under without doing much damage.

The tenants will show the lands, and Mr Ramsay the subjects in
Dumfries.

Excise Office, Edinburgh, 3d June 1785.

And, for the more effectually securing the payment of the above duties for all spirits, which the owners of such stills are able to manufacture beyond the quantity corresponding to the size of the still, the officers of Excise shall at all times have full liberty to enter and survey the malt barns and distilleries belonging to such licensed distiller, and to keep an exact account of the malt and spirits manufactured therein, and to charge with the usual duty, all malt made or used therein, exceeding 250 bushels in a year, and all spirits exceeding 1660 gallons annually.— And no spirits shall, after the 1st December 1785, be allowed to pass from one place to another, within the counties or districts aforesaid, to which counties or districts the sale of the spirits to be manufactured in the stills to be licensed under this act, is hereby expressly restricted, without being accompanied with a permit from the proper officer, expressing the quantity, and mentioning that the same is the produce of a licensed still;— and the owners of such licensed stills shall, in consideration of the annual licence paid by them, be entitled to demand free permits in the course of the year, for the quantity of spirits before expressed, but for no more; allowing them to pass any where within the said counties or di-

By order of the Commissioners,

BY ADJOURNMENT.

The title-deeds, rentals, current leases, plans of the estate, and

The title-deeds, rentals, current leases, plans of the estate, and conditions of sale, are to be seen in the hands of John Hunter writer to the signet, to whom or to Alexander Farquharson accountant in Edinburgh (who has power to conclude a private bargain) persons inclining to purchase may apply; and Mr Samuel McCaul at Corbie, near Newton Stewart, will show the lands.

Lot VII. The two and a half merk lands of Craiglyrian, consisting of about 790 acres, whereof upwards of 17 acres are arable, and 8 are meadow grounds.

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